

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverdale City Council held Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., at the Civic Center, 4600 S Weber River Dr., Riverdale City, Weber County, Utah.

Present:

City Council: Norm Searle, Mayor
Braden Mitchell, Councilmember
Brent Ellis, Councilmember
Gary E. Griffiths, Councilmember
Alan Arnold, Councilmember
Cody Hansen, Councilmember

City Employees: Steve Brooks, City Attorney
Cody Cardon, Business Administrator
Scott Brenkman, Police Chief
Jared Sholly, Fire Chief
Mike Eggett, Community Development
Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Excused: Rodger Worthen, City Administrator

Visitors: Lloyd High David Leahy Chuck Kerkvliet
Katie Cole Brenda Griggs Dave Griggs
Steve Stenquist Nate Tray Milton Preator
Eddie Graham Steven Whetton Emily Graham
Taylor Graham Lucille Kelly

A. Welcome & Roll Call

The City Council meeting began at 6:08 p.m. Mayor Searle called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance, including all Council Members and all members of the public. Mayor Searle excused Rodger Worthen, the City Administrator from the meeting.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Searle invited Councilmember Griffiths to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Moment of Silence

Mayor Searle called for a moment of silence and asked everyone to remember our police officers, fire fighters, U.S. Military service members, and members of the City Council as they make decisions this evening.

D. Open Communications

Mayor Searle invited any member of the public with questions or concerns to address the Council and asked that they keep their comments to approximately three minutes.

Chuck Kerkvliet, a Riverdale resident, explained the past 3 months the Standard Examiner has been delivering papers to each house in his neighborhood. The newspapers are sometimes thrown in the gutter, sidewalk, and grass. He has spoken to Mr. Brooks, the Riverdale City Attorney, who sent a letter to the Standard Examiner regarding the matter, but the issue still continues. Mr. Kerkvliet felt this was a littering issue.

Lloyd High, a Riverdale resident, discussed his contact with Kurt Foster, who is an investigator for Adult Protective Services. Mr. High informed the City Council, he represents a group of 62 people who are petitioning Adult Protective Services regarding rate changes which have occurred in the mobile trailer park in which they all reside. The group's biggest concern is the mobile parks employees ability to enter the mobile home resident's properties to investigate inside of their homes.

Mr. High discussed the upcoming 2017 Municipal Election and stated he hopes all the Councilmembers get re-elected. Mr. High discussed his interaction with the mobile park employees which entailed the employee's tampering with water. One of the newly proposed rules was to remove all swamp coolers that were visible from the street. Mr. High informed the Adult Protective Services that the actions of the employees are causing emotional distress to the mobile home residents. He felt the mobile home tenants civil rights were being abused, and further explained a lot of the mobile home residents are elderly and disabled. They need air conditioning and they deserve to have protection and have an accurate utility bill.

Mr. High encouraged the City Council to contact Adult Protective Services if they feel there has been emotional abuse at the mobile home park, to allow for an investigation to move forward within the mobile home park. Mr. High explained that until someone outside of the mobile home park contacts Adult Protective Services, no action will be taken.

Chuck Kerkvliet was granted permission from Mayor Searle to make a second comment. Mr. Kerkvliet explained on the corner of 4300 South and 950 West there are two trucks, as well as snowmobiles on a trailer parked on the grass. He didn't feel that code enforcement was being accomplished like it should. Mayor Searle explained code enforcement is complaint based, as Riverdale only has one code enforcement officer who shares his responsibility as a fire marshal. He discussed the new reporting option on the City Website. He encouraged residents to contact the city regarding code enforcement issues. Mayor Searle discussed the additional efforts being made to ensure the code is being enforced.

E. Presentations and Reports

1. Mayors Report

Mayor Searle informed the City Council there will be a ribbon cutting for the new Lion Centennial Park, on October 23, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. This event is open to the public. On October 24, 2017 AT&T will have a ribbon cutting for their grand opening at 1:00 p.m.

2. City Administration Report

Steve Brooks, the City Attorney, summarized the department reports and highlighted the staff anniversaries. An award was presented to Eddie Graham for his 20 years of service to Riverdale City. Chief Sholly thanked Mr. Graham for his dedication and service to the city.

3. Idea Discussion regarding a feasibility study of a fire district.

Jared Sholly, the Fire Chief, discussed the research conducted between the South Ogden Fire Chief and City Manager. He discussed the opportunity in reviewing data collected by Washington Terrace regarding fire department consolidation. Chief Sholly sought direction from the City Council on whether or not to move forward with a budget amendment which would allow the cities of South Ogden and Riverdale to conduct a study for the feasibility of a special service district. The cost would be shared between South Ogden and Riverdale City.

There was a discussion regarding the level of service for emergency services with regard to the special service district, with an emphasis on increase in response times, increase resources and man-power, increase safety to the fire fighters and the ability to control who responds. Another benefit to the Riverdale City residents would be the financial cost share between South Ogden and Riverdale City.

Chief Sholly emphasized all the Riverdale amenities, such as the parades would still continue after the service district was formed.

There were 5 fire fighters present during the meeting. Councilmember Mitchell asked the fire fighters to raise their hands if they were in favor of the service district. All the fire fighters were sitting behind Chief Sholly so he could not see whether or not they raised their hands. All 5 fire fighters raised their hand in favor of the service district.

The City Council made a unanimous consensus in favor of having the service district study to be voted on the next City Council meeting.

Chief Sholly discussed the paramedic board contract and explained he was able to negotiate a reduced rate.

F. Consent Items

1. Review of meeting minutes for the City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting minutes held on October 3, 2017.

Mayor Searle invited any corrections or comments for the City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting minutes held on October 3, 2017. There were no requested changes.

2. Consideration to approve poll worker list and polling locations for the 2017 Municipal General Election.

Jackie Manning, the City Recorder, read a memo which explained:

Pursuant to Utah Code §20A-5-602, each municipal legislative body shall appoint poll workers at least 15 days prior to the local election. There was a brief discussion regarding poll worker criteria.

MOTION: Councilmember Hansen moved to approve the consent items as proposed. Councilmember Ellis seconded the motion. There was not any discussion regarding this motion. The motion passed unanimously in favor.

G. Action Items

1. Consideration of Resolution 2017-25, amending the consolidated fee schedule (multiple amendments)

Steve Brooks, the City Attorney, summarized the executive summary which explained:

The following amendments are proposed by various City Staff members for the purpose of being in compliance with State Code. The supporting documents include Resolution 2017-25, as well as the itemized proposed changes to the consolidated fee schedule.

BUSINESS LICENSE FEES:

1-12-2 A (6) In accordance with Senate Bill 81, home occupations that do not impact the residential neighborhood can no longer be charged a licensing fee. In order to accommodate this change a new line item was added for fee exempt home occupations.

1-12-2 A (11) In accordance with Senate Bill 250, food trucks are only required to get one annual business license, fire inspection and health permit. They are then allowed to operate in any city within the State of Utah, as long as they show the City proof of license, fire inspection and health permit. In order to accommodate this change a food truck line item was created for the instance that the food truck is already licensed, or to allow a fee if Riverdale is the original licensing entity.

1-12-2 A (12) In order to maintain consistency with billing, the police officer hourly rate was updated in the Special Event Permit.

PLANNING AND ZONING FEES:

1-12-5 In order to keep costs consistent to what is being charged throughout the State of Utah and to account for inflation, multiple fees were amended.

POLICE DEPARTMENT FEES:

1-12-7 In order to keep costs consistent to what is being charged throughout the State of Utah, and to cover the cost of staff's time and equipment, line item E was added for discovery video requests.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FEES:

1-12-8 In accordance with the Utah Department of Health and in conjunction with the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Preparedness new billing rates for ambulance services were established.

There were no questions regarding this item.

MOTION: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Resolution 2017-25, amending the consolidated fee schedule (multiple amendments). Councilmember Griffiths seconded the motion.

Mayor Searle invited discussion regarding the motion. There was not a discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmembers Mitchell, Hansen, Ellis, Griffiths and Arnold all voted in favor of Resolution 2017-25.

H. Discretionary Items

Mayor Searle invited any discretionary items to be discussed. Councilmember Hansen stated he received a concern regarding the traffic north bound along Riverdale Road and 900 West. The person who voiced the concern proposed the possible solution of allowing the left turn lane to be a straight through lane as well. Mayor Searle noted the other access points for the businesses that may be a safer option.

Councilmember Mitchell discussed the recent jury trial that occurred at the Riverdale Justice Court. He explained one of the potential jurors was partially disabled and had health problems, and expressed how impressed she was with the Riverdale City employees accommodating her needs throughout this process.

I. Adjournment.

MOTION: Having no further business to discuss, Councilmember Mitchell made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Arnold; all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Norm Searle, Mayor

Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Date Approved: **November 8, 2017**